

**Oberlin College & Conservatory
Commencement Exercises**

MAY 23, 2016 | 183RD ANNIVERSARY

In addition to President Marvin Krislov, the Alumni Medal recipient, the Award for Distinguished Community Service recipient, and the Honorary Degree recipients and presenters, the following people are sharing the commencement platform:

Joyce Kloc Babyak, *Dean of Studies*

Donna Bath '66, *Honorary Marshal*

Debra J. Chermonte, *Vice President and Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid*

Elizabeth Clerkin, *Registrar*

The Reverend David F.H. Dorsey, *Multifaith Chaplain to the College and Conservatory*

Timothy Elgren, *Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences*

Eric Estes, *Vice President and Dean of Students*

Kimberly Jackson Davidson, *Dean of the Class of 2016*

Caroline Jackson Smith, *Professor of Theater and African American Studies,
Honorary Degree Hooder*

Andrea Kalyn, *Dean of the Conservatory of Music*

Jonathan Moyer, AD '12, *Assistant Professor of Organ, Honorary Degree Hooder*

Lorri T. Olán '87, *President of the Alumni Association*

Kathryn Stuart, *Vice President for Strategic Initiatives*

Sandhya Subramanian, *Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary, Commencement Marshal*

PRESIDENT OF THE SENIOR CLASS

Dyaami Liana D'Orazio '16

TRUSTEES OF OBERLIN COLLEGE

Clyde S. McGregor '74, *Chair*

**Joseph D. Condon '13, Motoko Taniguchi Deane '71, Lillie Johnson Edwards '75,
Nicholas Jian Yung Loh '14, Thomas Riis '73, Leanne Wagner '76, John D. Elder '53 (Honorary)**

The college's commencement exercises are being signed for hearing-impaired guests and students. Signers are from the Cleveland Hearing and Speech Center and will be standing on the far left side of the main platform. Wheelchair seating is available on the front left side of the seating area as you face the stage.

A live audio and video feed of the commencement ceremony is available in Warner Concert Hall.

Retirees will be seated in the first row of the east audience seating area.

ORDER OF EXERCISES

President Marvin Krislov
Presiding

I | THE ACADEMIC PROCESSION

Honorary Marshal: **Donna Bath '66**

Procession Marshal: **Sandhya Subramanian**, *Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary*

The outdoor academic procession has its antecedents in the medieval European university. The procession is designed so that each graduate passes before each faculty member one final time before the conferring of the degrees.

The modern academic gown evokes the medieval *cappa clausa*, a closed cloak typically worn by clerics; the modern hood, worn over the shoulders and down the back, recalls a functioning medieval head garment. In the late 19th century, the Intercollegiate Code was established for American universities through which academic dress was standardized to convey the degree held, the field of study, and the university awarding the degree. Accordingly, there are three shapes of gown: the bachelor's gown is characterized by full, pointed sleeves; the master's gown is characterized by oblong sleeves, cut away in front to leave a streamer of the sleeve behind; the doctor's gown is faced with velvet, a likely echo of the clerical tippet, and features bell sleeves adorned with velvet bars.

Academic hoods vary in size, shape, and color; they are lined with silk in the official color or colors of the institution that granted the faculty member's highest degree. The trim color of the velvet binding indicates the discipline of the degree, commonly including: Philosophy, dark blue; Music, pink; Arts, Letters, and Humanities, white; Education, light blue; Law, purple; Medicine, green; Library Science, lemon yellow; Science, golden yellow; and Divinity, scarlet.

The gown is a symbol of the democracy of scholarship since it covers any clothing indicating rank or status. The cap has its own traditions. The first right of a freed Roman slave was the privilege of wearing a cap, so the academic cap is the sign of the freedom of scholarship. Mortarboards have long been worn but in recent years soft caps or tams and other colorful headgear have gained favor.

An increasingly large number of universities in America have developed unique academic gowns; most of these conform to the basic style of the Intercollegiate Code, although they replace traditional black with school colors, and are often ornamented with embroidered university seals or emblems. European academic dress adds further diversity and color to the academic procession.

The audience will rise when the procession moves down the aisle.

MUSIC

The Commencement Brass Choir
Michael Roest '06, Conductor

PROCESSIONAL MUSIC

Star-Spangled Banner

Festive Fanfare and Hymn

The Earle of Oxford's March

Symphony from The Fairy Queen, Act IV

Herr, unser Herrscher, BWV 27, "Psalm 8" Op. 21

Canzona per Sonare No. 2

The Emperor's Fanfare

La Réjouissance from The Royal Fireworks

JOHN STAFFORD SMITH (1750-1836)

WALTER ASCHAFFENBURG '51 (1927-2005)

WILLIAM BYRD (1543-1623)

HENRY PURCELL (1659-1695)

HEINRICH SCHÜTZ (1585-1672)

GIOVANNI GABRIELI (1557-1612)

ANTONIO SALIERI (1750-1825)

GEORGE FRIDERIC HANDEL (1685-1759)

II | INVOCATION (AUDIENCE STANDS)

The Reverend David F.H. Dorsey

III | GREETINGS

Clyde S. McGregor '74, Chair, Board of Trustees

IV | WELCOME

President Krislov

Biographical notes on retiring members of the faculty and Alumni Medal, Distinguished Community Service Award, and Honorary Degree recipients may be found at the end of this program.

V | REMARKS

Dyaami Liana D'Orazio, President of the Class of 2016

VI | THE PRESENTATION OF THE ALUMNI MEDAL

Lorri T. Olán '87, President of the Alumni Association

CANDIDATE FOR THE ALUMNI MEDAL

Karen Florini '79

VII | THE PRESENTATION OF THE AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

President Krislov

CANDIDATES FOR THE AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

Mary Louise '47 and Don VanDyke '47

Tireless volunteers serving the conservatory, college, and our local community; founders and leading lights of Kendal at Oberlin.

The candidates will be presented by Jan Miyake '96, Associate Professor of Music Theory

VIII | THE CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREES

President Krislov

CANDIDATE FOR THE HONORARY DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF HUMANITIES

Alison Bechdel '81

Critically acclaimed cartoonist; award-winning graphic memoirist; and MacArthur Fellow.

The candidate will be presented by Meredith Raimondo, Special Assistant to the President for Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion; Title IX Coordinator

CANDIDATE FOR THE HONORARY DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF HUMANITIES

The Reverend Frank Chikane

Religious leader, educator, and staunch advocate for peace and democracy throughout Africa.

The candidate will be presented by Albert (A.G.) Miller, Associate Professor of Religion

CANDIDATE FOR THE HONORARY DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF HUMANITIES

Robert S. Lemle '75

Transformative leader of Oberlin; visionary philanthropist; stalwart champion of Oberlin's values.

The candidate will be presented by Stewart Kohl '77, Oberlin College Board of Trustees Honorary Member

CANDIDATE FOR THE HONORARY DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF SCIENCE

Robert H. Singer '66

Pioneering biologist; groundbreaking RNA researcher; member of the National Academy of Sciences.

The candidate will be presented by Maureen Peters, Associate Professor of Biology

CANDIDATE FOR THE HONORARY DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF MUSIC

Jessye Norman

World-renowned singer and recording artist; educator, philanthropist, and National Medal of Arts awardee.

The candidate will be presented by James David Christie '74, Professor of Organ

IX | COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Jessye Norman

X | REMARKS

President Krislov

XI | THE CONFERRING OF DEGREES

President Krislov

Listed are students from the College of Arts and Science and the Conservatory of Music who have been approved by the General Faculty and Board of Trustees of Oberlin College for the awarding of appropriate degrees upon completion of the prescribed work. It includes students who are registered in all courses needed to complete degree requirements as of May 23, 2016, and students who have completed requirements since the May 25, 2015, commencement ceremony date and are returning to receive their diplomas at this commencement. This does not constitute the official list of graduates for 2016. The official list will be made available by the registrar after June 30, 2016.

CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

THE CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC

Presented by Dean Andrea Kalyn

BACHELOR OF MUSIC AND MASTER OF MUSIC IN HISTORICAL PERFORMANCE

Nicholas James Capozzoli
McDonald, PA

MASTER OF MUSIC TEACHING

Caroline Grace Scheibe
Moorestown, NJ

ARTIST DIPLOMA

Dexter Joseph Kennedy III
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI

Olga Viktorovna Lebedeva
Riga, Latvia

Theodosia Theodosiou Roussos
Santa Monica, CA

Jiaao Yu
*Beijing, People's Republic of
China*

THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF MUSIC

Jake Kaiichiro Abramson
Brookline, MA

Micaëla Rose Stark Aldridge
Montclair, NJ

Sophia Ilana Bernitz
Goffstown, NH

Anna Natalia Berntson
Eden Prairie, MN

Giovanni Giacomo Bertoni
Castellarano, Reggio, Italy

Jessica Nicole Bieniarz
Des Plaines, IL

Joshua Maxwell Vaspasion Blue
Monee, IL

John Covington Burnett
McKinney, TX

David Moshe Buzaglo
Rydal, PA

Dominique Juliana Castro
Brooklyn, NY

Antonia Katherine Chandler
Salem, OR

Candy H. Chang
Kent, WA

Yiran Chen
*Yueyang, People's Republic of
China*

Nathaniel Charles Cornell
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Hannah Grace Dara
Greenville, SC

Thomas James English
Avon Lake, OH

Julia Ariadne Farbstein
Falls Church, VA

Aleksander Lukas Ferlazzo
North Ft. Myers, FL

Francesca E. Fetten
Pittsford, NY

Brooks Theodore Fisher
Salt Lake City, UT

Michael Gerard Floriano
Penfield, NY

Allison Watts Freeman
Leland, NC

Lawrence Robert Galloway
Willingboro, NJ

Silei Ge
*Wuhan, People's Republic of
China*

Noah Abraham Gershwin
Wyncote, PA

Jason Goldberg
Fort Lee, NJ

Justin William Gunter
Oberlin, OH

Israel Junior Gutierrez
Miami, FL

Nicole Jessica Gutman
Hillsborough, NJ

Rachel Nicole Halvorson
San Antonio, TX

Joshua Lev Harlow
Newton, MA

Jonah Nuoja Luo Haven
Shaker Heights, OH

Joshua Magnus Hess
Albany, CA

Zane Ransom Hill
Fulshear, TX

Evan Christopher Hines
Sugar Land, TX

Emerson James Hunton
Marine on Saint Croix, MN

Richard Henry Jenkins
Westlake, OH

Hayley Patricia Jensen
Homer Glen, IL

George Henry Jones
Sitka, AK

Seido Karasaki
El Cerrito, CA

Eric James Krouse
Summerville, PA

Margaret Elaine Langhorne
Santa Barbara, CA

Kah Yan Lee
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Austin Patrick Lewellen
Fort Wayne, IN

Manni Lin
Fujian, People's Republic of China

Meiling Lin
Oberlin, OH

Samantha Leigh Martinez-Brockhus
Fox Point, WI

Michael David Mazzullo
Ellicott City, MD

De'Ron M. McDaniel
Beachwood, OH

Jacqueline Danielle Meger
Schaumburg, IL

Caitlin Elizabeth Mehrtens
Thornton, PA

Haoran Mi
Ma'anshan, Anhui, People's Republic of China

Siena Elisabeth Miller
Portland, OR

Rachel Joy Mills
Webster, NY

Rachel Laura Mooers
Delafield, WI

William Takeru Nakamura
San Diego, CA

Ana Mariel Nelson
Ripon, WI

Matthew James Omahan
Mount Vernon, OH

Daniel Theophilus Orsen
Pittsburgh, PA

Elissa Ann Pfaender
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Eiden M. Pospisil
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Buffalo, NY

Ruiqi Ren
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Faith Midori Roberts
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Michael George Vallikappil
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Junzhe Wei
Oberlin, OH

Adam Hunter Wells
Clemson, SC

Zijun Xiong
ChangSha, People's Republic of China

Jianan Xu
Shantou, Guangdong, People's Republic of China

Yifan Yin
Harbin, Heilongjiang, People's Republic of China

CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES AND THE CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC

Presented by Dean Timothy Elgren and Dean Andrea Kalyn

THE DOUBLE DEGREES OF BACHELOR OF ARTS AND BACHELOR OF MUSIC

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Presented by Dean Timothy Elgren

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Gbolahan Adeola
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Olumayowa Melba Afolayan
Boone, NC

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Miles Edward Allen
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North Ridgeville, OH

Aodan
Huhhot, People's Republic of China

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Mukilteo, WA

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Bozeman, MT

Carolyn Gordon Holt
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Zhaoxin Hu
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Jingyan Huang
*Beijing, People's Republic of
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Isaguirre-Bersola
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Amy Elizabeth Jackson-Smith
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Greer E. Jansen
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Erin E. Johnson
Kohler, WI

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Margo Leah Josephson
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Tomoyo Joshi
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Pittsburgh, PA

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Needham, MA

Cria Kay
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Celia Catherine Keim
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Concord, MA

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XII | CLOSING REMARKS

President Krislov

XIII | RECESSIONAL

The Commencement Brass Choir

Fanfare from La Péri

PAUL DUKAS (1865-1935)

The audience will remain seated until the academic procession has withdrawn.

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Delia Jane Scoville
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Moez Ali Syed
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Sarah Diane Trutner
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Nathaniel Horton Wehr
Zhifu Xiao

FELLOWSHIPS AND PRIZES

THE AFRICANA STUDIES
EXCELLENCE IN ACADEMIC
ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Cali Hooremans Slepín

THE AFRICANA STUDIES
EXCELLENCE IN
ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT,
ARTISTIC ACHIEVEMENT
AND COMMUNITY
SERVICE AWARD

Donnay Jeanette Edmund

THE AFRICANA STUDIES
EXCELLENCE IN ACADEMIC
ACHIEVEMENT AND
COMMUNITY SERVICE
AWARD

William Wyatt Kroopf

THE AFRICANA STUDIES
EXCELLENCE IN ARTISTIC
ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Benjamin L. Tindal Jr.

THE AFRICANA STUDIES
EXCELLENCE IN ARTISTIC
ACHIEVEMENT AND
COMMUNITY SERVICE
AWARD

Sophie Umazi Mvurya

THE AFRICANA STUDIES
EXCELLENCE IN
COMMUNITY SERVICE
AWARD

Alexandria Chantel Cunningham

THE AMERICAN CHEMICAL
SOCIETY INORGANIC
CHEMISTRY AWARD

Noalle Khariman Fellah

THE AMERICAN CHEMICAL
SOCIETY ORGANIC
CHEMISTRY AWARD

Jonathan Charles Kenneth
Quirke

THE ANALYTICAL
CHEMISTRY AWARD

Felipe Ragazzi Firmo

THE ANDREWS
FAMILY AWARD

Louis Matthew Naiman
Alexander Philip Wagman

THE WALTER E.
ASCHAFFENBURG PRIZE

John Covington Burnett

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INDEPENDENT COLLEGES
AND UNIVERSITIES OF
OHIO (AICUO) AWARD
FOR EXCELLENCE IN THE
VISUAL ARTS

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AND VIRGINIA BAKER
SCHOLARSHIP

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Delia Jane Scoville

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ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES
RESEARCH AWARD

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Danyang Fang

THE FRANK HUNTINGTON
BEEBE FELLOWSHIP

Maxwell Lewis Bessesen

THE MARDIE WHEATLEY
BLANCHARD SCHOLARSHIP
IN HISTORY

Clara Kent Berger
Sarena Justine Ruby Malsin
Meghan E. Mette
Purba Tyagi

THE ANDREW BONGIORNO
PRIZE IN ENGLISH

Nolan Bede Scharper

THE BONNER CENTER
COMMUNITY-ENGAGED
RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

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THE LYSLE K. BUTLER
AWARD

Glenn Eugene Arthur III
Blaise Dante Dolcemaschio
John Cobb Ingham

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MEMORIAL PRIZE IN
BIOLOGY**

Brandon Emilio Bertot
Julia Eve Olivieri

**THE CLUB SPORT SENIOR
LEADERSHIP AWARD**

Caitlyn Allen Pineault

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BUNDESTAG YOUTH
EXCHANGE FOR YOUNG
PROFESSIONALS**

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AND EXCELLENCE**

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Emerson James Hunton
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CRAIG '53 CHEMISTRY
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FOUNDATION PRIZE IN
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PIANO PRIZE**

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MCGREGOR ESSAY PRIZE**

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GRANT**

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MEMORIAL PRIZE IN
WOMEN'S STUDIES**

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Zia Grace Kandler
Alana Frey Reibstein

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SCHOLARSHIP**

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Benjamin Mark Rabin
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LEARNING**

Lillian Wooten White

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Eli Sonder Dalven

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SCHOLARSHIP**

Sarel Johanna Loewus
Julia Eve Olivieri

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ENVIRONMENTAL
STUDIES**

Aldrumesia K. Baker
Emily A. Belle
Anne Wanjiku Chege
Jane Ellen Clark
Dyaami Liana D'Orazio
Jake Noah Holtzman
Zia Grace Kandler
Cria Kay
Ava Elisabeth Nicolai
Rebecca Liefland Orleans

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MARGUERITE BLOOMBERG
GREENWOOD PRIZE**

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Siena Elisabeth Miller

**THE JAMES H. HALL
PRIZE IN MUSICOLOGY**

Nicholas James Capozzoli

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ECONOMICS**

Benjamin Eli Reid
Daniel Christopher Wetherell

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Hugh Robert Milner
Gabrielle J. Wojtyna

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MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
IN BIOLOGY**

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Althea Adriana Bock-Hughes
Jingyan Huang
Peter Charles Jacob Ihle
Lauren A. Kelly
Elena Pei Loke
Emma Carroll Lucore
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Ian Michael Silver-Gorges
Madeline Rose Spencer

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RELIGION**

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SCHOLARSHIP**

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PRIZE**

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Won Hee Ryu
Delia Jane Scoville

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RUBIN SCHOLAR**

Joshua Maxwell Vaspasion Blue
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HOUSTON PRIZE**

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HURLBUTT PRIZE**

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SCHOLAR AWARD**

Won Hee Ryu

**THE FRANK FANNING
JEWETT PRIZE IN
CHEMISTRY**

Sarel Johanna Loewus
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**THE PHYLLIS JONES
MEMORIAL PRIZE**

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Cunningham
Donnay Jeanette Edmund
Mitchell L. Herrmann
Leah Aki Wood

**THE LORETTA M. KEARNS '43
ENDOWED MUSIC
SCHOLARSHIP**

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KEMSIES SCHOLARSHIP**

Joshua Maxwell Vaspasion Blue
Jacqueline Danielle Meger

**THE
LAHAURINE-JOHNSTON
MEMORIAL PRIZE**

Henry Martin Aberle
Diane Antonia Dover
Morgan Rae Griffith
Manon Louise Hume
Georgia Rose Lederman

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FELLOWSHIP**

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THE LAUNCHU AWARD

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Minh-Jeffrey Anh Lê
Brandon Harrison McKenna

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POLITICS**

Sakina Lavingia

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LEWIS PRIZE IN
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POLITICS**

Willa Greer Rosenberg-Rubin

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THEORY**

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BETTYE LOGAN PRIZE IN
JAZZ STUDIES**

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SCHOLARSHIP**

Mitchell L. Herrmann

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MCLAUGHLIN MEMORIAL
PRIZE IN THEATER**

Colin Tyler Anderson
Taylor Analise Ovca

**THE MARGARET
GOODWIN MEACHAM
PRIZE IN ENGLISH**

Kestrel Rose Felt
Annelise Stahl Giseburt

**THE MERCK INDEX
AWARD**

Felipe Ragazzi Firmo

**THE LEO S. MILLAR
MEMORIAL PRIZE IN
BIOLOGY**

Maya Miriam Muenzer
Jake Adam Nash
Mackensey Leigh Saxton
Madeline Rose Spencer
Lily Danielle Stoner
Yuta A. Takagi
Nathaniel Horton Wehr
Yan Zhong

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DEPARTMENT PRIZE**

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Aakash Patel

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JAMES K. NEWTON
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Austen Thomas Read-
McFarland
Leah Aki Wood

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Samantha Leigh Martinez-
Brockhus

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PRIZE IN ECONOMICS**

Aaron Watson McCartney

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LAMBDA PRIZE FOR
MUSICIANSHIP**

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Allison Watts Freeman
Daniel Theophilus Orsen

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FACULTY PRIZE IN
ACCOMPANYING**

Evan Christopher Hines
Jake Noah Holtzman

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ESSAY PRIZE**

Waylon Wyatt Cunningham
Qian Wei (Emma) He

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SCHOLARSHIP**

Machmud A. Makhmudov

**THE NANCY ROBELL
MEMORIAL PRIZE
IN NEUROSCIENCE/
BIOPSYCHOLOGY**

Rebecca Fay Berenbon
Nathaniel Bohm-Levine
Jason Elliot Toby Freedman
Vera Rudi

**THE PAUL PATRICK
ROGERS PRIZE IN
HISPANIC STUDIES**

Taylor Rae Swift

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AWARD IN HISTORICAL
PERFORMANCE**

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SCHAENING '87
MEMORIAL AWARD**

Gabriela Maria Goldsmith

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ARTISTS FELLOW**

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Leah Aki Wood

**THE RUDOLF SERKIN
SCHOLARSHIP**

Allison Watts Freeman
Silei Ge

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Louise Ling Edwards
Eli A. Fisher
Annelise Stahl Giseburt

THE SHANSI PRIZE

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Richard Trant

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SMITH MEMORIAL PRIZE**

Nicoline Astrid Meyer
Emma Adler Sterling

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MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
IN ENGLISH**

Allison M. Fulton

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BOS STAMBLER '84
PROFESSIONAL
DEVELOPMENT AWARD**

Joshua Maxwell Vaspasion Blue
Siena Elisabeth Miller

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STAMP AWARD**

Ashley Janae Hale

**THE COMFORT
STARR PRIZE IN
ANTHROPOLOGY**

Sophia Helen Fast
Dayna C. Gallagher
Alexandra M. Jason
Erin E. Johnson
Emily Connor Schcolnik
Sarah Cathryn Willette

**THE COMFORT STARR
PRIZE IN COMPARATIVE
AMERICAN STUDIES**

Robert Charles Bonfiglio
Rachel Elizabeth Parnell

**THE COMFORT STARR
PRIZE IN ECONOMICS**

Benjamin Eli Reid
Daniel Christopher Wetherell

**THE COMFORT STARR
PRIZE IN HISTORY**

Jesse Emanuel Gamoran
Daniel Neal Hautzinger
Jonathan Micah Jue-Wong
Benjamin Mark Rabin

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PRIZE IN POLITICS**

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Brandon Harrison McKenna
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Aaron Robert Rogot Pressman
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Amelia Lyde Wallace

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PRIZE IN SOCIOLOGY**

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Yvette Chen
Charlotte Margaret Martin
Katherine Parker Moncure
Hannah Ruth Santisi
Gabrielle J. Wojtyna

**THE NORTH COAST
ATHLETIC CONFERENCE/
JOHN N. STERN SCHOLAR-
ATHLETE AWARD**

Glenn Eugene Arthur III
Sarel Johanna Loewus

**THE RAYMOND H.
STETSON AWARD IN
APPLIED PSYCHOLOGY**

Stephanie Atwood
Sarah Michelle Kahl
Barbara Sylvie Toizer

**THE RAYMOND H.
STETSON AWARD IN
PSYCHOLOGY AND
PSYCHOBIOLOGY**

Kathryn Michelle Lucaites
Amelia Victoria Wedel

**THE STETSON-HEISER
PRIZE IN PSYCHOLOGY**

Stephanie Atwood
Sarah Elizabeth Cox
Caitlyn Grubb
MacAlistair Wallace Husted
Sarah Michelle Kahl
Carly Frances Oddleifson
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SWEARINGEN MEMORIAL
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Timothy Seungmin Chung
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COMPUTER SCIENCE
STUDENT**

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SCHOLARSHIP**

Machmud A. Makhmudov

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TO AUSTRIA**

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Jesse Emanuel Gamoran

**THE DAVID STATLER
WALKER AWARD IN
MUSIC EDUCATION**

Joshua Maxwell Vaspaspassion Blue

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WALKER-SLOCUM '45
AND CHESTER SLOCUM
ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP**

Evan Christopher Hines

**THE HELEN WARD
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THEATER AND DANCE**

Katherine Alessandra Early
Kestral Rose Felt
Caitrin Alexandra Hughes
Maya Miriam Muenzer
Alana Frey Reibstein

**THE THOMAS J. WATSON
FELLOWSHIP**

Vera Rudi
Christian Anders Villalta

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IN HONOR OF ROBERT
WEINSTOCK**

Peter Elgee

**THE GEORGE B. WHARTON
PRIZE IN GEOLOGY**

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Elena Lynn Robakiewicz
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WHEELER POETRY PRIZE**

Lillian Orly Vermes

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MEMORIAL PRIZE IN
POLITICS**

Machmud A. Makhmudov
Taylor Rae Swift

**THE ERNEST HATCH
WILKINS MEMORIAL PRIZE**

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Daye Lee
Aaron Watson McCartney
Samuel Thomas Rossin

**THE EDWARD WONG
MEMORIAL PRIZE**

Omar Hurtado
Alexander James Sutherland

**THE NORMAN H. WRIGHT
PRIZE IN BIOLOGY**

Amy Elizabeth Campbell
Calista Sorine Diehl
Zoë Alana Feder
Erin E. Johnson
Lisa Nicole Learman
Lisa-Qiao Louise MacDonald
Yan Zhong

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Ava Elisabeth Nicolai
Ariana Silvan-Grau

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CONSERVATORY
PERCUSSION AWARD**

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**THE GROVER ZINN PRIZE
IN RELIGION**

Lili Laura-Kirsten Baldwin

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

I | RETIRING MEMBERS OF THE FACULTY

This commencement we honor the members of our faculty who are retiring: **Shulamit S. Magnus, Leonard Podis, Richard Salter, Robin Salter, Benjamin Schiff, Thomas Van Nortwick, Steven Volk, and Webb Wiggins.**

Together these individuals have devoted 242 years of service to Oberlin, and we will miss them. It is an honor and a pleasure to thank each of them for the invaluable contributions they have made to the academic community.

SHULAMIT S. MAGNUS, *Professor of Jewish Studies and History*

Shulamit S. Magnus came to Oberlin in 1998 from Stanford University. She is the author of four books and scores of articles and recipient of a National Endowment of the Humanities grant, a National Jewish Book Award, and a Hadassah-Brandeis Translation Award. Her scholarship and teaching focus on identity, the history of Jewish women, and the workings of gender in Jewish society. Magnus taught a two-semester thematic survey on Jewish history from biblical antiquity to the present, as well as courses on Jewish identity in historical perspective; Jewish memory and memoirs; the creation and expression of German-Jewishness; Jewish history, culture, and the arts in Eastern Europe; ethics and decision-making in the Holocaust; the history of Jewish women; and gender and sexuality in Jewish society. Tasked with creating Oberlin's Jewish history curriculum and rebuilding its Jewish Studies Program, she worked with program members to develop its major, minor, honors, and awards programs. Magnus served as chair of the Jewish Studies Program for seven years, hiring and mentoring many junior and adjunct faculty and engaging renowned scholars for mini-courses. Known for humor and rigor in the classroom, she treasures the frequent comment by students that her teaching "changed my life."

LEONARD PODIS, *Professor of Rhetoric & Composition and English*

For the past 41 years, Len Podis taught writing at Oberlin College and helped establish the Department of Rhetoric and Composition. Podis also founded the nationally recognized Writing Associates Program and helped create the college writing requirement. Besides teaching and learning from thousands of incredibly wonderful students, he has published numerous scholarly articles and book chapters on topics including rhetoric, writing pedagogy, and peer tutoring, as well as American literature and African literature. He also published several books: three on writing with his coauthor and wife JoAnne Podis (Ursuline College professor emerita) and one on African literature with his longtime colleague Yakubu Saaka (Africana studies). Podis cotaught African literature with Saaka for 20 years until the untimely death of the latter in 2008. In 2011, Podis received the Teaching Excellence Award in the Humanities. He served on the Educational Plans and Policies Committee and was a perennial member of the Compensation (formerly benefits) Committee. He also was twice elected presiding officer of the College Faculty Council. Happily, his daughter, Lauren Podis '98, did not let his obvious presence on campus deter her from attending Oberlin.

RICHARD SALTER '73, Professor of Computer Science

A computer scientist with a PhD in mathematics, Richard Salter graduated from Oberlin in 1973 and earned advanced degrees at Indiana University in 1975 and 1978. He joined the Oberlin mathematics department in 1982 to help develop a new computer science minor, the first CS degree to be offered by the college. By 1985, Salter had helped to create the computer science program (now the Department of Computer Science) as the home for a new CS major. He served as chair of the department from 1987 to 1991 and from 2003 to 2011. Salter's research has been supported by the Office of Naval Research and the National Science Foundation (NSF). In the early 1990s he and a colleague obtained a \$400,000 educational development award from the NSF that produced some of the very first online laboratory exercises to use the web. Over the years Salter designed and implemented award-winning software applications for education, government, and the private sector. He also led a group of colleagues in an effort to infuse computational modeling into the Oberlin curriculum, resulting in an \$800,000 NSF award. For this effort he developed the Nova modeling software system, with an international user base of more than 1,000.

ROBIN SALTER, Associate Professor of Biology

After earning a PhD in genetics from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1981, Robin (Stong Treichel) Salter held postdoc positions at the University of Minnesota and the Southwest Foundation for Biomedical Research and served as research scientist at the Children's Hospital of Orange County. She joined the Oberlin biology faculty in 1987, teaching courses in immunology, virology, cell and molecular biology, human biology, emerging diseases, and bioinformatics, and she maintained a unique cell culture research methods laboratory. Her research at Oberlin explored multidrug-resistant human leukemia with a focus on immunotherapy and was supported by the National Institutes of Health, the American Cancer Society, the Ohio American College of Surgeons, the Morrison Trust Foundation, and the Elsa Pardee Foundation. For the past decade she has worked to incorporate computer modeling in her teaching. Salter served many years as a grant reviewer for the National Science Foundation and National Institutes of Health and was a member of the executive committee/governing council of the Ohio Academy of Science. At Oberlin she served as chair of biology (2002-2005) and as lead biology representative to the Science Center Design Committee (1996-1999). She also served three terms on the College Faculty Council and Educational Policy and Plans Committee. In 2001, she co-organized and moderated the Cancer Therapy Symposium at Oberlin.

BENJAMIN SCHIFF, James Monroe Professor of Politics

Benjamin (Ben) Schiff earned a BA in political science in 1973 from Michigan State University and an MA and PhD in political science from the University of California, Berkeley, in 1975 and 1982, respectively. He came to Oberlin in 1979 and taught introduction to international politics, international organization, North-South relations, international law, Middle East politics, Israel-Palestine conflict, and war, weapons, and arms control. He also taught advanced seminars on the international arms trade, international refugee issues, transition in South Africa, international environmental issues, and international human rights and criminal law. He wrote three books: *International Nuclear Technology Transfer: Dilemmas of Dissemination and Control* (Rowman and Alanheld, 1983), about the International Atomic Energy Agency; *Refugees unto the Third Generation: UN Aid to Palestinians* (Syracuse University Press, 1995), about the UN Relief and Works Agency; and *Building the International Criminal Court* (Cambridge University Press, 2008), which won the International Studies Association's 2009 Chadwick Alger Award and the Academic Council on the UN System's Best Book of 2009 Award. With his wife, June Goodwin, Schiff wrote *Heart of Whiteness: Afrikaners Face Black Rule in the New South Africa* (Scribner, 1995) and two paperback thrillers, *Progeny* (1989) and *Lethal Delivery* (1991). He chaired the politics department from 1998 to 2005.

THOMAS VAN NORTWICK, *Nathan A. Greenberg Professor of Classics*

Thomas Van Nortwick has taught at Oberlin since 1974. He holds a BA in history and a PhD in classics from Stanford University and an MA in classics from Yale University. He has published scholarly articles on Greek and Latin literature, autobiographical essays, and five books, which include *Somewhere I Have Never Travelled: The Second Self and the Hero's Journey in Ancient Epic* (Oxford University Press, 1992), *Compromising Traditions: The Personal Voice in Classical Scholarship* (Routledge, 1997), *Oedipus: The Meaning of a Masculine Life* (University of Oklahoma Press, 1998), *Imagining Men: Ideals of Masculinity in Ancient Greek Culture* (Praeger, 2008), and *The Unknown Odysseus: Alternate Worlds in Homer's Odyssey* (University of Michigan Press, 2009). The book *Compromising Traditions* was coauthored by Judith Hallett. Van Nortwick was awarded the American Philological Association's Excellence in Teaching Award in 1993 and the 2005 Award for Excellence in Teaching by the Northern Ohio Council on Higher Education. He is a contributing editor of *North Dakota Quarterly*.

STEVEN VOLK, *Professor of History and Director of the Center for Teaching Innovation and Excellence*

Steven Volk earned a BA in Latin American studies in 1968 from Brandeis University and an MA and a PhD in history from Columbia University in 1983. Volk served as director of the North American Congress on Latin America for 12 years before coming to Oberlin in 1986. At Oberlin, he taught courses in Latin American history, museum studies, human rights, and higher education. Volk has published more than 50 articles and book chapters on topics including Chilean history (19th and 20th centuries), Mexico, Bolivia, U.S. foreign policy in Latin America, and pedagogy. He has written more than 75 original articles—sent to Oberlin faculty each Sunday—on pedagogy, liberal education, and the difficult issues that faculty and students face. In 2001, the government of Chile recognized Volk for his efforts to restore democracy in the country, and in 2003 he was awarded the Nancy Lyman Roelker Mentorship Award by the American Historical Association. Volk founded the Center for Teaching Innovation and Excellence in 2008 and served as director ever since. In 2011, he was named the U.S. Professor of the Year by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and the Council for the Advancement of Higher Education. Volk has received two National Endowment for the Humanities grants, among many others.

WEBB WIGGINS, *Associate Professor of Harpsichord*

Webb Wiggins is one of the foremost teachers of harpsichord, coach for chamber music, and director of baroque opera, as well as an Oberlin Baroque Performance Institute faculty member. For more than 15 years, Wiggins was coordinator of the early music program at the Peabody Conservatory of Music. Recognized and lauded internationally for his innovative and musical continuo realizations, he has performed and recorded with many U.S. ensembles, including the Folger Consort, the Dryden Ensemble, Kings Noyse, Chatham Baroque, Hesperus, the Oberlin Baroque Ensemble, the Catacoustic Consort, the Baltimore Consort, Violins of Lafayette, Apollo's Fire, the Smithsonian Chamber Players and Orchestra, the Atlanta Baroque Orchestra, the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, the National Symphony, and the Baltimore Chamber Orchestra. His collaborations with soloists—both vocal and instrumental—have earned him high respect among his colleagues in the world of baroque music. His recordings can be heard on the Dorian, EMI, Bard, Smithsonian, and PGM labels. Webb holds degrees in organ performance from Stetson University and the Eastman School of Music and has done additional harpsichord study at the Sweelinck Conservatory in Amsterdam. He is perhaps the only harpsichordist in modern times to have given multiple performances on transatlantic voyages.

II | CANDIDATE FOR THE ALUMNI MEDAL

KAREN FLORINI '79

Karen Florini is deputy special envoy for climate change at the U.S. Department of State. Her varied portfolio includes engagement with businesses, state and local governments, and other non-state actors in the climate negotiations context; oversight of the department's work with the Climate and Clean Air Coalition on Short-Lived Climate Pollutants; climate issues relating to the United States' current chairmanship of the Arctic Council; and additional matters. She previously served as managing director for international climate at the Environmental Defense Fund, where she also held several other positions. She is a graduate of Harvard Law School, where she served as editor-in-chief of the *Harvard Environmental Law Review*, and Oberlin College, on whose Board of Trustees she served from 1996 to 2014.

III | CANDIDATES FOR THE AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

DON '47 AND MARY LOUISE VANDYKE '47

Don and Mary Louise VanDyke are both alumni of the Class of 1947; Don a graduate of the college and Mary Louise a graduate of the conservatory. They returned to Oberlin in the early 1970s, when Don was invited to join the Oberlin Clinic as its ophthalmologist. They served for 10 years as Oberlin College co-class agents, and Don has been a volunteer for the Office of Development for many years.

The VanDykes spent five months as volunteers at the Rambo Hospital in Mungeli, India, as well as on short-term eye missions to Central America. Through the years, Mary Louise founded and directed the Oberlin Hymn Festival Children's Choir and produced many northern Ohio hymn festivals and community-wide hymn sings, most recently in collaboration with the Oberlin Heritage Center and Oberlin Business Partnership. She founded the Allen Memorial Art Museum Volunteers Guild and the local chapter of the Choristers Guild. She says it has been the readiness of the citizens of this town to enthusiastically lend hearts and voices to hers that has sustained her work.

As a member of the Oberlin Rotary Club (and president from 1991 to 1992), Don has participated in numerous community activities, including maintenance of Martin Luther King Park, Adopt-a-Highway projects, annual pancake breakfasts, Santa's arrival, and many events on Tappan Square. As a member of the United Church of Christ, he served on the United Church Board for World Ministries and for more than 20 years as building superintendent for First Church, providing assistance in removal of the old organ and installing acoustical material in the attic. He helped in the early development of landscaping and gardens at the college's Adam Joseph Lewis Center for Environmental Studies. Since the inception of Kendal at Oberlin, Don has filled many roles as a volunteer with its development and administration.

The VanDykes open their home to students and bake cookies for student athletes, including the women's field hockey and lacrosse teams. Through the years, they've hosted parents of auditioning conservatory students and post-concert receptions for Musical Union, visiting artists, and senior student recitals.

IV | HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENTS

ALISON BECHDEL '81, *Doctor of Humanities*

Alison Bechdel is an acclaimed author and illustrator best known for her graphic novel *Fun Home*, which was turned into a Tony Award-winning Broadway musical.

Shortly after graduating from Oberlin, Bechdel created the countercultural comic strip *Dykes to Watch Out For*, which ran in lesbian and gay publications from 1983 to 2008. From her comic strip emerged the “Bechdel Test,” now an international benchmark for assessing gender bias in film.

In 2006 Bechdel began to gain a wider readership with the publication of *Fun Home: A Family Tragicomic*. This graphic memoir recounted Bechdel’s early years and her own revelations about being a lesbian while eventually coming to understand who her father was. A finalist for the National Book Critics Circle Award, the memoir was named *Time* magazine’s Best Book of the Year. In spring 2015, a musical adaptation of *Fun Home* debuted on Broadway. The show became a runaway success, earning 12 Tony nominations and winning five, including the award for best musical.

In her work, Bechdel is preoccupied with the overlap of the political and the personal spheres and the relationship of the self to the world outside. Her 2012 memoir, *Are You My Mother? A Comic Drama*, delved into her relationship with her mother through the lens of psychoanalytic theory. Bechdel has drawn comics for the *New Yorker*, *Slate*, *McSweeney’s*, the *New York Times Book Review*, and *Granta*, among many other publications. She received a 2012 Guggenheim Fellowship and a 2014 MacArthur fellowship.

FRANK CHIKANE, *Doctor of Humanities*

The Reverend Frank Chikane is a pastor of the Apostolic Faith Mission of South Africa in Naledi, Soweto. The church has a presence in more than 30 countries across six continents. Chikane is currently its international president.

He is the senior vice president of the South African Council of Churches and serves as part of the All Africa Conference of Churches Advisory Committee on Peace on the African continent. He also serves on a number of boards, presiding as chair of the boards of Kagiso Trust, Kagiso Capital, and City Power Johannesburg. Chikane is also the visiting adjunct professor at the Graduate School of Public and Development Management at the University of the Witwatersrand. He holds two master’s degrees, one in religious studies from the University of KwaZulu-Natal (1992) and the other in public administration from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard (1995). He received an honorary doctorate in theology from the University of Groningen in the Netherlands.

Chikane is a former member of the national executive committee of the African National Congress and deputy president of the United Democratic Front. He was a commissioner of the first Independent Electoral Commission, which was responsible for the 1994 democratic elections. He was director-general during the presidencies of Thabo Mbeki and Kgalema Motlanthe, a deputy secretary of cabinet during the presidency of Nelson Mandela, and secretary of the cabinet during Mbeki’s and Motlanthe’s presidencies. He was also involved in the development and promotion of the African Renaissance vision, which gave birth to the New Partnership for Africa’s Development and the African Peer Review Mechanism under the leadership of President Mbeki. He participated in conflict resolution processes in South Africa (during the transition period), Lesotho, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Zimbabwe, Burundi, and Cote d’Ivoire.

Chikane has published three books: *No Life of My Own* (revised, 2012), *Eight Days in September* (2012), and *The Things That Could Not be Said* (2013). He also has a number of articles in various books and journals. He is married to Kagiso Oglobry Chikane, and together they have three sons, Obakeng, Otlile, and Rekgotsofetse.

ROBERT LEMLE '75, Doctor of Humanities

Robert Lemle served as a leader on Oberlin's Board of Trustees for two decades. His vision, experience, energy, and philanthropy have transformed and reinvigorated Oberlin's commitment to achieving academic, artistic, and musical excellence; honored its historic commitment to diversity and inclusion; and benefited the students, faculty, alumni, and staff of the college and the conservatory in countless ways.

Lemle joined the board in 1996. He was elected vice chair in 2001, served as acting chair from 2003 to 2005, and chaired the board from 2005 through 2011. He is currently an honorary trustee. A transformative leader, Lemle championed strategic and financial planning, fiscal responsibility, measuring progress, and building a culture of collaboration. Throughout his service to Oberlin, he has devoted untold hours to engaging with and building consensus among Oberlin's core constituencies—the faculty, students, staff, administrators, parents, and alumni—on a range of initiatives. He restructured Oberlin's board governance and built and maintained a strong board of trustees. His leadership provided support for much-needed buildings, facilities, and programs that have strengthened Oberlin's curriculum and recruiting efforts, and enhanced the student experience and the institution's reputation for academic, musical, and artistic excellence.

Strategic planning has been a hallmark of Lemle's leadership. He cochaired the task force that developed the Strategic Plan for Oberlin College adopted by the board and the faculty in 2005. This plan established a framework for decision-making that guided Oberlin for the next decade. He also served on the Strategic Planning Steering Committee, which created the 2016 Strategic Plan approved by the board and faculty this past winter. At his urging, strategic planning and strategic indicators have become integral components of Oberlin's operations and shared governance.

Under Lemle's leadership, Oberlin refurbished its existing physical plant and built much-needed new facilities designed in collaboration with the people who would use them. These include the conservatory's Bertram and Judith Kohl Building, Robert Lewis Kahn Hall, and the Robert Kahn Track and Fred Shults Field. Oberlin also purchased and renovated the historic Apollo Theatre, restored and upgraded the Cass Gilbert-designed Allen Memorial Art Museum, and built, acquired, or renovated a major portion of Oberlin's student housing. Planning for the Gateway Project also began during his tenure. Lemle also played a key role in presidential transition, chairing the Presidential Search Committee that recommended the appointment of Marvin Krislov as Oberlin's 14th president.

Lemle strengthened Oberlin's culture of giving, enhanced alumni engagement, increased the transparency and effectiveness of Oberlin's governance, and made Oberlin a place where decisions are made strategically based on Oberlin's shared mission, goals, and values.

Lemle is a lawyer, business executive, community leader, and philanthropist. He served as vice chairman and general counsel of Cablevision Systems Corporation, one of the nation's leading telecommunications and entertainment companies, before retiring in 2002. There, he was involved with the launch of AMC, Bravo, and many regional sports networks. He also served as a member of Cablevision's board of directors and as vice chair of Madison Square Garden, owner of the New York Knicks and New York Rangers. Before joining Cablevision in 1982, Lemle was associated with the law firm of Cravath, Swaine & Moore in New York City. He joined the firm after earning a JD from New York University School of Law.

Lemle is married to Roni Kohen-Lemle '76. To honor their many contributions to Oberlin, in 2011, the college created the Robert S. Lemle '75 and Roni Kohen-Lemle '76 Academic Commons in the main library in Mudd Center. Their daughter, Joanna, is a 2010 graduate of Oberlin.

The Lemles are cofounders of the Long Island Children's Museum. As president of its board of trustees from 1996 to 2006, Lemle spearheaded the museum's expansion and move in 2002 to its permanent home in a 40,000-square-foot historic airplane hangar at Mitchel Field. The museum and its programming have since become a vital place of interactional diversity for Long Island families, welcoming more than 250,000 visitors each year. The museum received the prestigious 2012 National Medal for Museum and Library Service, the nation's highest honor. It is presented to outstanding institutions for significant and exceptional contributions in service to their communities.

JESSYE NORMAN, *Doctor of Music*

The breadth and depth of Jessye Norman's eclectic repertoire share equal richness with that of her innovative programming and scholarship. Her passion for singing extends to all that she surveys on the opera and concert stages of the world, as well as her recent endeavors in the world of jazz.

Norman's collaborations with some of today's most exciting and creative artists enliven her own exploration of the arts. She has performed songs of John Cage with Meredith Monk and Joan La Barbara under the auspices of the San Francisco Symphony and conductor Michael Tilson Thomas. This fully staged production presented a welcome opportunity for Norman to scale new heights and broaden her artistic palette with artists whose work she finds inspired and inspiring.

Norman's collaboration with composer Laura Karpman to create a presentation of Langston Hughes' "Twelve Poems on Jazz"—titled *Ask Your Mama*—was first performed at Carnegie Hall in 2009 and resulted in a recording that earned a Grammy Award in 2016.

Norman credits her parents for having shown her from a young age the power of community involvement. The Jessye Norman School for the Arts in her hometown of Augusta, Georgia, is a tuition-free arts program for talented middle school students who would otherwise not have access to private tutoring in the arts. Now in its 13th year, the school is a source of great pride for Norman and an affirmation of her belief that students exposed to intensive experiences in the arts perform better academically and grow up to be more involved and caring citizens.

Her work with numerous not-for-profit organizations includes the New York Public Library, the New York Botanical Garden, Dance Theatre of Harlem, the Carnegie Hall Board of Trustees, and the Partnership for the Homeless, for which she is a spokesperson. The University of Michigan has named a graduate fellowship program and master class series in her honor.

Norman's latest recording, *Roots: My Life, My Song*, shares what she refers to as a part of her personal universe—the soundtrack of her life. On it, she pays homage to the many who have influenced her ceaseless curiosity and her sense of obligation to offer musical expression outside of the traditional classical canon. Norman wishes to reach as many ears as will hear and as many hearts that are open to taking this often surprising musical journey with her.

Norman's accolades include five Grammy Awards and some 40 honorary doctorates from universities, colleges, and conservatories around the world. But it is the sheer joy of singing that keeps her ever searching, ever exploring, ever seeking to honor her ancestors.

ROBERT H. SINGER '66, DOCTOR OF SCIENCE

Robert Singer received an undergraduate degree in physical chemistry at Oberlin and a PhD in developmental biology at Brandeis University. He did postdoctoral work in molecular biology at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the Weizmann Institute of Science in Rehovot, Israel.

Singer's career has been focused on the cell biology of RNA, its isolation, detection, expression, and translation. A patent in situ hybridization technique his lab developed for detecting RNA in morphologically preserved cells revealed that messenger RNA can localize in specific cellular compartments. This work has given rise to the field of RNA transport and localization, enhanced by Singer's and his colleagues' development of imaging technology and RNA reporters. His lab has shown that the dynamics of RNA transcription on a single gene can be interrogated by live cell imaging, as well as by multiplexed fluorescent probes. Singer's laboratory also has been instrumental in developing rapid and sensitive microscopy that can study single molecules of RNA in living cells and in devising methods to track them through their life cycle. This technology has implications for understanding the role of RNA in such disease processes as cancer metastasis and intellectual disability. He holds 12 patents on his work.

In addition to his research, he is a Janelia Senior Fellow at the Howard Hughes Medical Institute. He is a member of the National Academy of Sciences, American Society of Arts and Sciences, and the Association for the Advancement of Science.

IN MEMORIAM

Commencement at Oberlin is a celebratory and joyous event for our graduating seniors, their parents and relatives, and the entire Oberlin College Community. On this special weekend, we also remember those members of our community who died during the past academic year.

ROBERT BAUSTIAN, *Emeritus Professor of Orchestra Conducting*

MARCUS BELGRAVE, *Visiting Professor of Jazz Trumpet*

WILLIAM BIGGLESTONE, *Emeritus Archivist*

GENE CARTER, *Retired Custodian*

FANNIE COOP, *Retired Cook*

MARY DURLING, *Retired Assistant Dean, Student Life and Services*

NANCY DYE, *Emerita President*

NATHAN A. GREENBERG, *Emeritus Professor of Classics*

ROBERT GRIMM, *Emeritus Professor of Philosophy*

HERBERT HENKE, *Emeritus Professor of Eurhythmics*

GARY KRIESEN, *Campus Security Supervisor*

ANN MEDWETZ, *Director, Development Communications*

DANIEL MERRILL, *Emeritus Professor of Philosophy*

LESLIE MILLER, *Retired Assistant to the Director, Allen Memorial Art Museum*

W. BYRON PEARSON, *Emeritus Professor of Trumpet*

DONALD ROSTA SR., *Retired Painter*

WALLACE DEAN WOLFE, *Emeritus Associate Professor of Speech*

As we celebrate the accomplishments of our graduates, please also celebrate the lives of these former members of our community who contributed so much to the life of Oberlin College.

MARVIN KRISLOV

President

ADDITIONAL NOTES FOR OUR GUESTS

- *ADA-compliant restroom facilities can be found nearby in the Carnegie Building, Conservatory of Music, King Building, Peters Hall, Philips Gym, Science Center, and a portable executive restroom near the Finney Chapel parking lot.*
- *Emergency medical services are available at Mercy Allen Hospital on Lorain Street. Those needing assistance may contact any Oberlin College security officer.*
- *Lost items will be collected and held by the Office of Safety and Security on Lorain Street. Contact a security officer or facilities staff member to turn in a found item or inquire about a lost item.*
- *Please do not walk in front of other guests to take photos. You are welcome to use the college seal backdrop as a background for photos after the ceremony.*
- *Water is available in air voids at the concessions stand.*

